



26 April 2019

Dear Prof. Gupta,

Welcome to the community of the Associate Members of the Abdus Salam International Centre for Theoretical Physics! I am happy to inform you that you have been appointed

***Regular Associate of the ICTP
from 01 January 2020 until 31 December 2025.***

This award is, however, subject to the availability of funds each year. The ICTP may at any time revise the terms of this agreement. Please refer to the Annex to this letter for details.

During the above period you will be entitled to 180 days living allowance and three round-trip fares. Associateship visits will not exceed 60 days in total, in the solar year. In order to obtain a travel entitlement your stay must have a minimum duration of 30 days. If you do not exhaust this allocation in the three associateship visits, you may use the remaining days in one or more visits, but in this case, travel expenses will have to be covered by other sources.

Visits to the ICTP should be planned preferably when scientific activities in your specific field of research are being held. Details about travel entitlements and visits are also in the Annex.

The Centre has assigned you Dr. Edgar Roldan as scientific coordinator to whom this letter is being copied. When you decide to carry out an associateship visit you must complete the Visit Form on your ICTP Portal, no later than 30 November of the year preceding this proposed visit. All requests will be considered taking into account the financial availability at the time.

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Furthermore, in order to keep your award active, it is essential that you make an associate visit within the first three years of your appointment. Failure to meet this requirement will result in the termination of your award.

Finally, I would like to mention that since its inception in 1964 the ICTP has gained a world-wide reputation as a Centre of excellence and as an instrument for the promotion of physical sciences in developing countries. We rely on you, as an Associate, to strengthen the results already achieved and to promote initiatives in the developing countries, including your own. We look forward to having your personal involvement in the execution of our common mission.

With my best personal regards,

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "George Thompson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a period at the end.

George Thompson
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